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SUBJECT: HOVEYDA VISIT TO USSR: IRAN BACKS AWAY FROM COLLECTIVE
SECURITY SYSTEM FOR ASIA

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1. SEMI-OFFICIAL KAYHAN INTERNATIONAL FOR AUGUST 20 CONTAINS
ARTICLE WHICH QUALIFIES ALMOST TO DEATH ANY SUPPORT IRAN MAY
HERETOFORE HAVE LENT TO SOVIET-SPONSORED COLLECTIVE SECURITY
SYSTEM FOR
ASIA. IN MAJOR EDITORIAL PAGE COMMENTARY BY LEADING
POLITICAL JOURNALIST AMIR TAHERI, IRAN'S SUPPORT FOR ASIAN
COLLECTIVE SECURITY IS MADE EXPLICITLY CONTINGNENT ON PRIOR
SETTLEMENT OF SEVERAL OTHER ASIAN PROBLEMS. AMONG THESE ARE
SETTLEMENT OF SINO-SOVIET FRONTIER DISPUTE, ENDING OF BORDER
QUARREL BETWEEN INDIA AND CHINA AND ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN
SUB-CONTINENT. IN ADDITION, FUTURE OF INDOCHINA AND QUOTE OFTEN
DANGEROUS QUARRELS BETWEEN SOUTHERN ASIAN NATIONS END QUOTE HAVE
GOT TO BE SORTED OUT.

EVEN IF THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLIGHT MIGHT BE
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LEFT ASIDE, TAHERI WRITES, MUCH WOULD STILL REMAIN TO BE DIS-

POSED OF BEFORE THE IDEA OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY IN ASIA COULD
BECOME ANYTHING MORE THAN QUOTE A STATEMENT IN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE
UNQUOTE.

2. COMMENT: TAHERI WHO ACCOMPANIED PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA ON
THE LATTER'S RECENT TRIP TO MOSCOW WHICH PRODUCED COMMUNIQUE
MENTIONING ASIAN SECURITY NOTION, IS VERY CLOSE TO HOVEYDA AND
TO THE IRANIAN REGIME AS A WHOLE. TAHERI MAY HAVE HIS OWN SET
OF PREJUDICES ABOUT IT SEEMS PROBABLE IN THIS CASE THAT HE SPEAKS
FOR THE GOI IN RATHER DEFINITELY RETRACTING IRAN'S NEVER VERY
STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE IDEA OF AN ASIAN COLLECTIVE SECURITY
ARRANGEMENT. SO THE SOVIETS APPEAR TO HAVE LOST IN TEHRAN WHAT
THEY HAD GAINED UP TO NOW IN THEIR ASIAN SECURITY CAMPAIGN, AND
THEY CANNOT BE VERY HAPPY OVER TAHERI'S SUGGESTION THAT THE
SOVIET-CHINESE BORDER MAY NOT BE IMMUTABLE. THE CHINESE, OF
COURSE, WILL BE AS PLEASED AS THE USSR IS DISPLEASED. END COMMENT.
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